

# HOUSE BILL No. 1354

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-30-2.

**Synopsis:** Length of school year. Provides that a school corporation shall conduct at least: (1) 900 hours of instructional time for students in grades 1 through 6; and (2) 1,080 hours of instructional time for students in grades 7 through 12; in not less than 170 student instructional days each school term. Provides that the break between consecutive school terms is at least 11 weeks. Provides that, except for year-round schools, a school term may not begin before the fourth Monday in August. Modifies the formula for determining the reduction in the August tuition support distribution to a school corporation that fails to conduct the minimum number of student instructional days during a school term.

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

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January 13, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-30-2-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION  
2 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
3 2009]: Sec. 3. For each school year, a school corporation shall conduct  
4 at least: ~~one hundred eighty (180) student instructional days.~~

5 **(1) nine hundred (900) hours of instructional time for grades**  
6 **1 through 6; and**

7 **(2) one thousand eighty (1,080) hours of instructional time for**  
8 **grades 7 through 12.**

9 Not later than June 15 of each school year, the superintendent of each  
10 school corporation shall certify to the department the number of student  
11 instructional days conducted during that school year.

12 SECTION 2. IC 20-30-2-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION  
13 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
14 2009]: Sec. 4. If a school corporation fails to conduct the minimum  
15 number of student instructional days during a school year as required  
16 under section ~~3~~ 7 of this chapter, the department shall reduce the  
17 August tuition support distribution to that school corporation for a



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school year by an amount determined as follows:

STEP ONE: Determine the remainder of: (A) the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for the particular school year; minus (B) that part of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for that school year with respect to student instructional days one hundred seventy-six (176) through one hundred eighty (180): **the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for each day of the particular school year.**

STEP TWO: Subtract the number of student instructional days that the school corporation conducted from ~~one hundred eighty (180):~~ **one hundred seventy (170).**

STEP THREE: ~~Determine the lesser of five (5) or the remainder determined under STEP TWO:~~ **Multiply the amount determined under STEP ONE by the remainder determined under STEP TWO.**

STEP FOUR: ~~Divide the amount subtracted under STEP ONE(B) by five (5):~~

STEP FIVE: ~~Multiply the quotient determined under STEP FOUR by the number determined under STEP THREE:~~

STEP SIX: ~~Subtract the number determined under STEP THREE from the remainder determined under STEP TWO:~~

STEP SEVEN: ~~Divide the remainder determined under STEP ONE by one hundred seventy-five (175):~~

STEP EIGHT: ~~Multiply the quotient determined under STEP SEVEN by the remainder determined under STEP SIX:~~

STEP NINE: ~~Add the product determined under STEP FIVE to the product determined under STEP EIGHT:~~

SECTION 3. IC 20-30-2-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 7. **(a) The minimum length for a school term is ~~nine (9)~~ months: one hundred seventy (170) student instructional days.**

**(b) The minimum length of a break between consecutive school terms is eleven (11) weeks.**

SECTION 4. IC 20-30-2-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 9. **(a) This section does not apply to a year-round school that conducts student instructional days (other than during summer school) during a school term in twelve (12) consecutive months.**

**(b) Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, student instructional days for a school year may not begin before the**

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